

REMARKS

This Amendment amends claim 1 in accordance with the original disclosure. Support for the amendments to claim 1 is found, for example, in previous claim 1. Claims 1-8 and 10-15 remain in this application.

REJECTIONS UNDER 35 U.S.C. §112

Claim 1 stands rejected for the insufficient antecedent basis matters set forth in paragraph three of the Office Action. As set forth above, Applicants have amended claim 1 to correct these antecedent basis problems. Therefore, reconsideration of these rejections is respectfully requested.

REJECTIONS UNDER 35 U.S.C. §103

Claims 1-8 and 10-15 stand rejected for obviousness over the teachings of EP254192 to Enkelmann in view of U.S. Patent No. 5,793,308 to Rosinski et al., (hereinafter "Rosinski"). In view of the above amendments and the following remarks, reconsideration of these rejections is respectfully requested.

Claim 1 is directed to an industrial truck comprising a driver's seat 4 oriented in a forward direction, at least one screen 6 located in the vicinity of the driver's seat 4, and a counterweight 10 located on the rear of the truck. A first camera 7 is mounted on the rear of the industrial truck to the rear of the driver's seat 4 and above the counterweight 10 at a first height and points toward the rear of the industrial truck. At least one additional camera 11 is mounted on the rear of the industrial truck to the rear of the driver's seat 4 and on an upper segment of the driver's cab 3 at a height greater than the first height. The at least one additional camera 11 is also directed toward the rear of the industrial truck. The first camera 7 provides a view of a distant area and the at least one additional camera 11 provides a view of a near area behind the industrial truck. The image taken with the first camera 7 and/or the image taken with the at least one additional camera 11 can be displayed on the screen 6.

Enkelmann is directed to a fork lift truck which, as shown in Figs. 2 and 3, can have video cameras 2, 2" pointed toward the front or rear of the truck, respectively. A monitor 1 is located in the driver's cab of the fork lift truck. Enkelmann corresponds to DE3624486 cited in the European Search Report dated April 24, 2003 and submitted with the

Information Disclosure Statement of June 12, 2003. As noted in the European Search Report, Enkelmann was cited simply as background art.

While the Examiner acknowledges that Enkelmann does not teach the two camera configuration of claim 1, the Examiner relies upon Rosinski for this teaching.

Rosinski teaches a vehicle position monitoring system having one or more cameras connected to an integral mirror video display. That is, the video display for the system is located on rear view mirrors of a vehicle (Rosinski at column 5, lines 24-28). Rosinski teaches that this integrated mirror system allows the vehicle operator to utilize the normal field of view of a side mirror or rear view and still view objects to the rear of the vehicle by placing the video display on the vehicle mirrors (Rosinski at column 3, lines 10-52 and column 5, lines 24-35). The entire thrust of Rosinski is the use of such integrated mirror displays.

Neither Enkelmann nor Rosinski, either alone or in combination, fairly teaches or suggests the industrial truck as set forth in claim 1. There is no teaching or suggestion in the cited references to replace the single rearwardly facing camera of Enkelmann with the Rosinski cameras. Additionally, the Examiner completely ignores the main teaching of Rosinski that the Rosinski display is located in a mirror, not a screen near the driver's seat. Moreover, the Examiner's combination does not teach or suggest the claimed structure of a first camera mounted to the rear of the driver's seat above the counterweight at a first height and at least one additional camera mounted to the rear of the driver's seat on an upper segment of the driver's cab at a height greater than the first height with the first camera providing a view of a distant area and the second camera providing a view of a rear area behind the truck. Rosinski does have multiple cameras but not this specific camera orientation.

Therefore, claim 1 is not rendered obvious by the Enkelmann and Rosinski combination. Reconsideration of the rejection of claim 1 is respectfully requested.

Claims 2-8 and 10-15 depend either directly or indirectly from, and add further limitations to, claim 1. Since these claims depend from a claim believed to be in condition for allowance, these claims are also believed to be in condition for allowance. Reconsideration of the rejections of claims 2-8 and 10-15 is respectfully requested.

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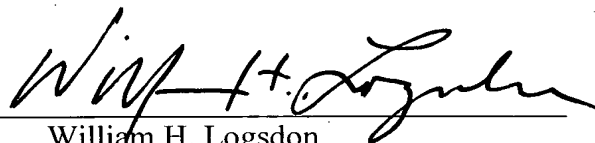
CONCLUSION

In view of the above amendments and remarks, reconsideration of the rejections and allowance of all of claims 1-8 and 10-15 are respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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